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SUBJECT: TOGO - PHOSPHATE EXPORT AND SALE OF U.S. AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT

1. J.D. HUNT OF TRANSWORLD MARKETING, 5501 LAMBSHIRE DRIVE, RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA, 27612 (TEL. 919-787-7777) CALLED ON AF/W JUNE 7. HUNT IS ALSO ASSOCIATED WITH MATTHEWS LUMBER, 135 C STREET, FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. 28302.

2. HUNT STATED THAT HE WOULD BE TRAVELLING TO LOME THIS SUNDAY FOR A STAY OF ABOUT TWO WEEKS IN CONNECTION WITH AN ARRANGEMENT FOR SALE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT HE ESTIMATED WOULD BE VALUED AT ABOUT DOLS 25 MILLION OVER 10 YEARS. HUNT STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN APPROACHED BY TOGOLESE FIRM SODACA OF WHICH THE PRESIDENT IS APPETI KWAMI HOBOE,
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B.P. 1076, LOME. SODACA WISHED TO ARRANGE FINANCING OF SOME DOLS 100 MILLION FOR POULTRY AND AGRICULTURAL PROJECT INVOLVING SOME 160,000 ACRES. HUNT RESPONDED THAT DOLS 100 MILLION TOO MUCH TO ARRANGE AND SUGGESTED THAT DEAL BE FINANCED THROUGH PHOSPHATE SALES TO IRAQ WHERE HUNT HAD PREVIOUSLY DONE BUSINESS AND PRESENTLY HAS ASSOCIATES. SODACA WOULD GET PART OF COMMISSION ON SALE

OF PHOSPHATES AND SPEND IT ON SUCH ITEMS AS CHICKEN

PROCESSING PLANT AND LAND CLEARING EQUIPMENT TO BE EXPORTED FROM US THROUGH TRANSWORLD. HUNT STATED THAT THE SODACA PROJECT HAD BEEN UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR SOME TWO YEARS IN TOGO.

3. USDOC HAS NO INFORMATION ON TRANSWORLD MARKETING. MATTHEWS LUMBER IS A LUMBER BROKER.

4. HUNT STATED THAT HIS PRIMARY CONTACT IN TOGO FOR THIS DEAL IS JOHN CURETON AN AMERICAN BAPTIST MISSIONARY. HE STATED THAT CURETON HAD RECENTLY VISITED HIM IN U.S. ON THIS PROJECT.

5. HUNT REQUESTED THAT EMBASSY TELEPHONE CURETON AT 3575 IN LOME TO INFORM HIM OF CHANGE IN HUNT'S ARRIVAL TIME. HUNT NOW SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE LOME SUNDAY JUNE 11 ON RK 110 FROM ABIDJAN AT 1830.

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